

PROJECT ALERT

This Weekend: US Route 1 North & South will be Closed in Middletown Township, Delaware County

Crews will be Removing Rail Bridge Spanning US Route 1

Route 1 Bridge Removal – Friday, Feb. 8 at 8:00 PM to Monday, Feb. 11 at 5:00 AM

For the entire weekend, crews will be removing the rail bridge that spans Route 1 in Middletown Township, Delaware County. In order for this work to be completed safely, <u>all</u> <u>lanes of Northbound and Southbound Route 1 will be closed to vehicle traffic between</u> <u>Valley Road and Red Roof Drive beginning at 8:00 PM on Friday, February 8 through 5:00</u> <u>AM on Monday, February 11</u>.

Advanced message signage has been posted alerting drivers of the upcoming weekend closure. On Friday, specific detour signs will be posted approaching and along the detour route directing drivers around the closure.

US ROUTE 1 SOUTH -

- Drivers traveling South on US Route 1/W. Baltimore Pike beyond Valley Road will be detoured onto PA 452 South/Pennell Road to US 322 West/Conchester Highway and then back onto US Route 1/W. Baltimore Pike.
- US Route 1/Baltimore Pike will be open to local traffic in both directions north of Valley Road.
- Access to all businesses and residences between PA 452/Pennell Road and Valley Road will remain open. Traffic south of Valley Road will blocked, but Valley Road will be open to vehicle traffic.
- Special accommodations will be made to allow residents and businesses on US Route 1 South – between Red Roof Drive and the rail bridge – to access their properties.

US ROUTE 1 NORTH -

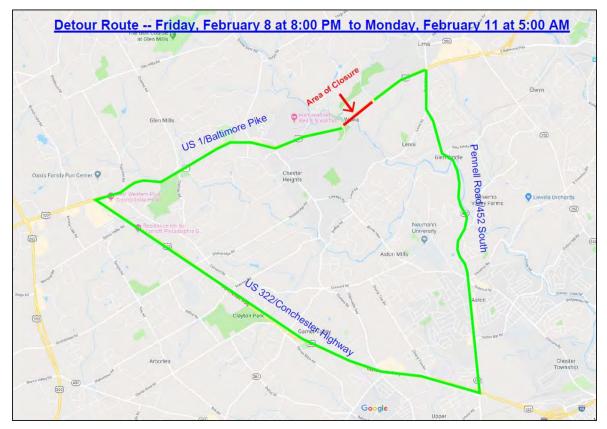
- Drivers traveling North on US Route 1/W. Baltimore Pike to points beyond Red Roof Drive will be detoured onto US 322 East/Conchester Highway to PA 452 North/Pennell Road and then back onto US Route 1/W. Baltimore Pike.
- US Route 1/W. Baltimore Pike will be open to local traffic in both directions south of Red Roof Drive.
- Local access to all businesses and residences between US 322/Conchester Highway and Red Roof Drive will remain open; however, traffic north of Wawa Road will be blocked.
- Access between Red Roof Drive and Wawa Road will be limited to local traffic only.

<u>SINGLE LANE TRAFFIC</u> –

Beginning on February 11, both Northbound and Southbound Route 1 will be reduced to one lane for approximately 9 (nine) months, in the area of the bridge, to allow crews to safely rebuild the bridge abutments. Southbound Route 1 will be reduced to one lane for approximately 1,000 feet. Northbound Route 1 has been reduced to a single lane since December. Later this year, a similar weekend closure of Route 1 will likely be needed to install the new bridge. Community notice will be provided in advance of that work, as well.

DETOUR ROUTE -

Below is a map of the detour route; however, there will likely be higher than normal traffic on some local roads as drivers may chose alternative routes. Residents and motorists are asked to use extra caution driving and walking as traffic volume may be higher than normal.



SEPTA ROUTE 111 SERVICE -

SEPTA Bus Route 111 will be detoured this weekend and will not serve stops at Baltimore Pike & Red Roof Drive and Baltimore Pike & Walnut Hill Blvd. Customers should visit http://septa.org/realtime/status/system-status.shtml for service updates.

The replacement of the rail bridge is an important element of the Elwyn to Wawa Service Restoration Project that will allow SEPTA to provide service to the new station. Later this year, there will be a similar shutdown of US 1 to install the new bridge superstructure, and we will let you know in advance when that is scheduled. We greatly appreciate your understanding and patience.